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William T. Gross

Serial No.: 09/765,270

Examiner: James S. McClellan

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Group Art Unit No. 3627

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Respectfully submitted,

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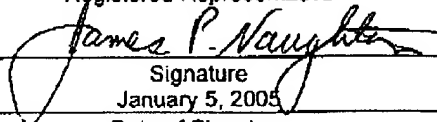
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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely filed on January 5, 2005 in response to the non-final October 7, 2004 Office Action. Applicant requests reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.